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OH-1 Web Page: <http://medicom.org/public/tadmat/tadmat.html>

TADMAT: Established 1985 OH-1

NDMS Level-1 Team

Mission: to triage, stabilize and prepare disposition for the victims of any incident that exceeds the medical capability of an affected area, be it local, statewide, national or international.

Unit Commander

- Jim Fenn, RN, EMT-P

Deputy Co-Commanders

- Kelly Burkholder-Allen, RN
- Roberta Hobbs, EMT-P
- Mary Vance, RN

TADMAT Info Hotline:

(419) 383-5163

Meeting schedule 2004

January 15

February 18

March 18

April 28

May 20

June 16

July 15

August 18

September 16

October 20

November 18

No December Mtg

OH-1 Headquarters

**25601 Ft Meigs Rd.
Perrysburg, OH**

www.medicom.org/public

Election Results

Congratulations to:

Jim Fenn elected to the position of Unit Commander

Kathy D'Amore elected to the position of Treasurer

Volunteer of the Year: Scott Rahrig

The VOY is given to the team member who best exemplifies dedication to the team and committee men to show up at meetings, drills and take active part. The winner of the VOY will receive reimbursement for Hotel, Air and conference registration if they attend the NDMS annual conference. The VOY is also recognized at the conference. Past recipients of the VOY award include: John Van Rynen, Paul Johnson, Jim Fenn and Mike Fogle.



**Catastrophic Care for the Nation
2004 Conference for NDMS Participants
April 17 - 21, 2004 • Dallas, Texas**



Conference Questions?

Contact Roberta Hobbs hoblets@aol.com

For All Members

Check out these websites for information about NDMS
<http://oep-ndms.dhhs.gov>

For Education and completing Modules for training
<http://centrelearn.umbc.edu/>



**OH-1 FIRST CALL TEAM
2004
MARCH/ JUNE / OCTOBER**





COMMANDERS CORNER



TO All OH-1 DMAT Members: Call for Candidates

Two team leadership positions are currently vacant – Administrative Officer and Deputy Unit Commander. As these positions are open due to vacancies rather than end of terms, our bylaws direct that these positions be filled by appointment.

If you are interested in one of these positions you are asked to contact John Van Rynen by January 15 and provide him with a brief bio. John will chair an ad hoc committee that will review the qualifications of each candidate. The committee will select the best qualified candidates and will forward those selections to the team leadership. The team leadership will interview the candidates before an appointment is made. **JOHN: javr@buckeye-express.com**

This is a wonderful opportunity to become more involved in your team so step up. Don't feel qualified just yet? Get more involved in you team and you'll get there for the next round! One way to begin would be to work on the selection committee. Give John a call or email and volunteer today.

Position Qualifications (partial):

Deputy Unit Commander. Candidates for the Deputy Unit Commander position must be members in good standing as defined in the bylaws (attended 4 meetings minimum in the past 12 months). The individual should have good leadership ability as they may be asked to assume a command position on training exercises or deployments. This individual should have a good knowledge of disaster response and a basic knowledge of NDMS function as well as possess good communication skills. This individual will have responsibility for one to two team sections to be determined.

Administrative Officer.

Candidates for the Administrative Officer position must be members in good standing as defined in the bylaws. Must hold a current NDMS ID. This individual is responsible for maintaining the team database, processing member applications, preparing and submitting team time sheets, and coordinating personnel issues with NDMS thus computer skills, attention to detail, email access and good communication skills are essential. This individual will also be responsible for developing and submitting time critical documents, rosters, etc. and will be communicating with the OSC during team Alerts and Activations thus this individual is accessible on a 24 hour basis during those times.

James W. Fenn, BA, RN, EMT-P
Unit Commander
OH-1 DMAT
Toledo, OH

OH-1 has received re-accreditation as an EMS continuing education provider from the State of Ohio board of EMS. Thank Georgia for seeing the application process through!

JOB DESCRIPTION: DEPUTY DMAT LEADER POSITION

Functional Description

The Deputy DMAT Leader is responsible for assisting the DMAT Leader in managing all aspects of a DMAT mission. The Deputy DMAT Leader may fulfill The role of DMAT Leader in the Leader's absence; when providing 24-hour operations; or may be assigned to work in special positions, operations, or situations as requested by the MST. The Deputy DMAT Leader reports directly to the DMAT Leader.

Description of Duties

Under the DMAT Leader, manages and ensures proper and timely completion of the overall Team function of providing medical care to disaster victims;

!Ensures that supplies and support necessary to accomplish assignments and activities are available;

!Assists in the supervising subordinates;

!Serves in specialized positions as assigned by the DMAT Leader;

!Interacts with the MST in planning sessions for coordination of Team activities and support requirements;

!Attends briefings with the MST and ensures all Team personnel are kept informed of mission objectives and status changes;

!Ensures that regular SITREPs are forwarded to the MST;

!Ensures the completion of all required reports and maintenance of records;

!Ensures EISS management activities for Team personnel are addressed; and

!Ensures performance evaluations are completed for assigned personnel

Knowledge

Formal training in managing large-scale disasters or events;

!Extensive knowledge of other disaster response organizations with HHS agreements;

!Extensive knowledge of other disaster response organizations, (i.e., ARC, NGOs, etc.);

!Extensive knowledge of methods of support for disaster victims;

!Extensive knowledge of the terminology and capabilities of the major Items in the DMAT equipment cache;

!Extensive knowledge of the hazards associated with various disaster environments;

!Comprehensive knowledge of ICS;

!Comprehensive knowledge of the functional and overall role of the action planning process;

!Comprehensive knowledge of OEP and MST standard operating procedures; and

!Comprehensive knowledge of supervisory and personnel management skills.

Skills

Five years of related experience in emergency incident management; and

!Manage subordinates in stressful work environments.

Abilities

Capable of effectively coordinating and directing Team interaction during mission assignment;

!Possess good interagency coordination skills; work well with technical experts, local officials, and other organizations; and

!Meet the moderate physical fitness requirement.

Training Requirements

Complete Advanced ICS training;

!Complete large incident management training, or equivalent; and

!Complete Command and General Staff functional training.



centre learn stats for 2003:
105 OH-1 members: 26 have completed the DMAT
Core Curriculum modules at CentreLearn! 50% of
team has been participating in working on the
modules!!

The training schedule for Jan-April is as follows:

JANUARY 15 Delayed Patient Triage - Dr. Donato Borillo

MARCH 18 Intro to HAZMAT Awareness: Scott Rahrig

FEBRUARY 18 New Team Member Orientation;
 Review of contents/list Action Packer # 201.

APRIL 28 Pediatric Trauma: TB

May 29, 2004 OH-1 Spring Drill ** Mark your calendars NOW



NDMS EDUCATION On-Line Training
INTERNET ACCESS AT OH-1 HEADQUARTERS
or AT HOME!

Ready, Set, Go.....

Log on to: <http://ndms.dhhs.gov> (response team training) or <http://ndms.umbc.edu/>

This site can also be accessed by logging on to: <http://centrelearn.umbc.edu/>

Once you are at the NDMS education site, click onto the **Program Login** on the left side of your screen.

The next page will prompt you for your **USER NAME** and **PASSWORD**.

Your User name is: **First initial** of your first and last name:

John Doe + JD

And your last 4 digits of your Social Security number:

123-45-6789

So your user number would look like this:

JD6789



YOU MUST USE UPPER CASE LETTERS.

The first time you log onto the site, your Pass code will be the same as your User Name. You can then change your pass code to anything you like.

Once you are logged in you will see the **Course List** which tells you which courses you are enrolled in. This will either be **Medical** or **Non-Medical**. **Follow the instructions and you are on your way!**

TEAM FUNDING DEPENDS ON YOU!

70% of our team **MUST** complete the online training by **AUGUST 18th 2004** for us to continue to receive full funding from the Dept of Homeland Security! Remaining on the team, or ability to be deployed may also suffer without completion!

Contact Georgia or Churton if you have questions about access to the training, login Problems etc: churton@mco.edu georgia.siebenaler@promedica.org

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Please wear your NDMS federal ID to each meeting beginning January 15

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Subject: OH-1 Alert Update

Alert Update 1/1/04

At this time the team remains on Alert. Two trucks are loaded with our team cache and we continue to submit our roster daily and participate in a daily conference call with NDMS. A bus remains on stand-by to transport the team should an Activation order be issued.

NDMS has asked that our team remain on Alert until January 13. Those individuals who were notified that they are on the Alert roster should continue to update team leadership on their availability for deployment. Should rostered individuals become unavailable or should other team members become available, please notify the team leadership via email or team hotline (419-383-5163). Please continue to check in on the Hotline or your email for updates and watch the news. Should a major event occur, please check in immediately and/or remain available at the contact numbers you have provided to the team. Should there be a catastrophic communication failure occur and the phones cease to work, just head to the HQ ready to deploy.

In other news - IMSuRT (International Medical Surgical Response Team, which is a spin-off of the MA-1 DMAT, was deployed to Bam Iran. You may see news reports regarding this team.

More later.

Jim

Update from the Alert conference call of **1/8/04**

Iran - Both IMSuRTs and MST returned to US last night. Both teams out of service thus no IMSuRT available at this time for response. Most felt that the mission was successful but stressful. Many lessons learned.

Orange Alert - No changes in alerted teams. Team rotations to be completed on 1/13. Teams currently on Alert and going off of alert on 1/13 are to keep their trucks loaded until midnight 1/30 after which the trucks may be unloaded and returned to the rental agencies. Demobilization letter with these details is yet to be written and distributed.

Mad Cow - USDA has confirmed by DNA testing the Canadian origin of the index case cow. All 449 calves on the farm with the index cow's calves have been euthanized and disposed of. So far 12 of 81 cows from same shipment as the index cow have been located.

Nothing further.

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1/9/04

As you are likely aware, the national threat level has been reduced from orange to yellow. OH-1 DMAT as well as all other teams originally on Alert remain on Alert. We are currently scheduled to come off Alert on January 13. This may happen more quickly given the change in the national threat level but we have to wait and see.

We will continue to submit a daily personnel roster to NDMS so if your availability for deployment changes please notify the team leadership.

Also remember that the next team meeting is scheduled for January 15 at 7:00 pm at HQ.

In order to help to get to know each other and to ensure that you can find your ID we will begin to encourage all federalized team members to wear their DHS IDs at team meetings and functions.

Thanks Jim

OH-1 WANTS YOU!



***This page will be dedicated each month to
interests, and items
brought to you by the membership!***

***If you have any tips, articles of interest that
you have researched etc, anything that you
would like to post in the news, please send
them no later than the 3rd of the***

month to:

Joyce at jdjp@sev.org



***Stories, jokes, pictures.....send them in to get
published in the news!***

